

January 17, 2017

**VIA EMAIL**

Honorable James L. Cott  
United States District Court Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street, Courtroom 24A  
New York, New York 10007

**Re: Hernandez et al v. Fresh Diet, 15-cv-1338ALC-JLC (*Hernandez II*).**

Dear Judge Cott:

Per The Court order dated December 19, 2016, I write to inform The Court that I wish to proceed ***pro se***.

As I currently reside in Florida it will be difficult and costly for me to fly in to attend the conference hearing scheduled for January 26, 2017. As such I am kindly requesting The Court's permission to not attend the hearing and I will give my full authority to Mr, Judah Schlass to appear on my behalf.

Sincerely,

Scher Zalmi Duchman